# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
# LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:139
ANSWERED ON:01.08.2000
REVIEW OF BALIKA SAMRIDHI YOJANA
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**Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government have since reviewed the Balika Samridhi Yojana;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the total amount demanded and the amount sanctioned under the said Yojana to the States during 1999-2000, State- wise.

(d) the number of girls proposed to be covered under the programme and the actual coverage made so far; and

(e) the steps proposed to be taken for the speedy implementation of the programme?

## Answer

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT, MINISTER OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI)

(a),(b),(c),(d)&(e): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a),(b),(c),(d)&(e) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.139 ASKED BY SHRI SULTAN SALAHUDDIN QWAISI FOR ANSWER ON 1.8.2000 REGARDING REVIEW OF BALIKA SAMRIDHI YOJANA.

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Scheme of Balika Samriddhi Yojana was launched on 2nd October,1997 with the objective of raising the overall status of the girl child and bringing about a positive change in family and community attitudes towards her. The scheme covers upto two girl children born on or after 15th August,1997 in a family living below the poverty line, as defined by the Government of India, in any rural and urban area. During 1997-98 and 1998-99 the scheme was implemented as a Central Sector Plan Scheme under which the funds were released to the State Governments/UT Administrations for giving a grant of Rs.500/- in cash to the mothers of the new born girl children. The scheme was reviewed in 1999 and was recast as a Centrally Sponsored Scheme to extend 100% Central assistance to States/UTs to provide benefits under the scheme. As per the revised Scheme, the post delivery grant of Rs.500/- will be deposited in an interest bearing account in a bank or post office in the name of the girl child. In addition the girl child will be entitled to receive scholarship for each class of study successfully completed by her, ranging from Rs.300/- for Class-I to Rs.1000/- for Class-X per annum. The scholarship amounts will also be deposited in the above account. The accumulated value of the deposits in the account will be payable to the girl child on her attaining the age of 18 years and having remained unmarried till then.

(c) State-wise allocation of funds for the year 1999- 2000 for the implementation of Balika Samriddi Yojana is Annexed. These grants are to cover the first component of the Scheme.

(d) The number of girl children proposed to be covered under the scheme during the IX Five Year Plan would be about 78 lakhs. The number of beneficiaries expected to be covered during 1997-98, 1998-99 and 1999-2000 were 12 lakhs, 8.58 lakhs and 8 lakhs girl children, respectively.

(e) Funds for payment of the post-birth grant and annual scholarships will be released by the Government of India to the State Governments and Union Territory Administrations, who will disburse the benefits to the girl child through its Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) Scheme infrastructure. The Gram Panchayats/Municipalities in the States/UTs would be responsible for the monitoring and follow up of the disbursal of the benefits under the various components on BSY. Guidelines for the speedy implementation of Balika Samriddhi Yojana have already been issued to all State Governments and Union Territory Administrations.

ANNEXURE

STATE-WISE ALLOCATION OF FUNDS FOR THE YEAR 1999-2000 FOR THE IMPLEMENTTION OF BALIKA SAMI YOJANA

(Rs in Lakhs)

| S.No | Name of the State/UT | Amount Released |
|---|---|---|
| 1. | Andhra Pradesh | 146.35 |
| 2. | Andaman & Nicobar Islands | 1.10 |
| 3 | Arunachal Pradesh | 6.21 |
| 4 | Assam | 143.66 |
| 5. | Bihar | 712.46 |
| 6. | Chandigarh | 1.28 |
| 7 | Daman & Diu | 0.47 |
| 8. | Delhi | 12.54 |
| 9. | Dader and Nagar Haveli | |
| 10. | Goa | 2.23 |
| 11 | Gujarat | 105.49 |
| 12 | Haryana | 57.66 |
| 13. | Himachal Pradesh | 18.50 |
| 14. | Jammu & Kashmir | 35.00 |
| 15. | Karnataka | 151.35 |
| 16. | Kerala | 54.62 |
| 17. | Lakshadweep | 0.26 |
| 18. | Madhya Pradesh | 366.90 |
| 19. | Maharashtra | 304.95 |
| 20. | Manipur | 7.65 |
| 21. | Meghalaya | 11.90 |
| 22. | Mizoram | 2.06 |
| 23. | Nagaland | 3.54 |
| 24. | Orissa | 221.41 |
| 25. | Pondicherry | 3.35 |
| 26. | Punjab | 28.28 |
| 27. | Rajasthan | 217.12 |
| 28. | Sikkim | 2.17 |
| 29. | Tamil Nadu | 158.77 |
| 30. | Tripura | 11.60 |
| 31. | Uttar Pradesh | 935.94 |
| 32. | West Bengal | 275.18 |
| Total | | 4000.00 |